MR. A. GOPALA MENON: It is published as a matter of concession. So many students fail with a slight deficiency of marks. So a concession is shown by the University.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: Sir, I wish to know why this matter was referred to the Madras University this time when the students have to enter our University?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: Now that our University is started things can be arranged differently. When these students joined Form VI they had the option to join any College affiliated to the University of Madras after their course. Persons who were desirous of going away could do so.

MR. M. G. MATTHEW: May I know whether Government are aware of any students desirous of going away?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: I do not know.

MR. M G. MATTHEW: May I know whether such moderation rules have been prepared in previous years by the Madras University?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: Yes.

Maintenance grants to private English Schools.

266. ***MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the principle or the basis on which maintenance grants are yearly allowed and paid to the various private English High Schools and English Middle Schools in the State;

(*b*) whether the maintenance grants allotted to such schools bear any fixed proportion to the deficits shown by the school managers in their yearly financial statements submitted to Government along with the applications for such grants

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, what is the proportion between the grant allowed and the deficit found; and

(*d*) the name and designation of the Officer of Government who allowed such grants in 1112 and 1113?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*): The member is referred to Rule 147 (*b*) of the Education Code. Subject to the availability of funds, grant-in-aid is sanctioned at present to the extent of one-third of the allowable deficit in the case of English Schools for boys and one-half of allowable deficit in the case of English Schools for Girls. Total strength, general efficiency, adequate staff and other factors that contribute to the proper working of the institutions are also taken into consideration in awarding grant.

(*d*) The Director of Public Instruction

1112 M. E. (1) Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan,
(2) Dr. K. L. Moudgill.
1113 M. E. (1) Dr. K. L. Moudgill,
(2) Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan,
(3) Mr. A. Gopala Menon.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: May I know the extent of the grant?

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MR. A. GOPALA MENON: It is given as one-third of the allowable deficit in the case of English schools for boys and one-half of allowable deficit in the case of English Schools for Girls.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: What is meant by allowable deficit ?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: Sir, various matters have to be gone into in connection with an explanation of this.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: May I know why there is this difference of one third and one-half of the allowable deficit between English Schools for Boys and those for girls ?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: This is a survival of an old condition when female education required more impetus than male education ?

Supervisors in the P. W. Department.

267. ❋**MR KANNARA GOPALA PANICKAR** (*Mavelikara cum Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Supervisors in the P. W. Department who will retire in the years 1113, 1114 and 1115 M. E. with their names ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: The member is referred to the answer to question No. 102 asked by Mr. P. J. Sebastian at the second session of the Second Assembly (page 370 of Vol. XI No. 6.)

Encouragement to Compositors.

268. ❋**MR. M. G. MATTHEW:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether Compositors are given the same or similar kind of encouragements in the matter of appointments and promotions as are given to typists ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: No.

Assistant Engineers and Sub-Engineers.

269. ❋**MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKAR:** Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Assistant Engineers and Sub-Engineers who will retire in the years 1113, 1114 and 1115 M. E., with their names ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: The member is referred to the answer to the question No. 103 by Mr. P. J. Sebastian during the second session of the Second Assembly (Page 370 of Vol. XI No. 6).

Students in the Engineering College at Guindy.

270. ❋**MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKAR:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of students selected by the Government and who are studying in the Engineering College at Guindy in Madras ;

(*b*) the number of such students studying for the B. E. course and the upper Subordinate course separately ; and

(*c*) the number of students who have completed their course and are undergoing practical training in the P. W. Department in Travancore ?

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